## Executive Summary – Enforcement Matter – Case No. 50287 Town of Shady Shores RN105881262 Docket No. 2015-0450-WQ-E

**Order Type:** 

1660 Agreed Order

**Findings Order Justification:** 

N/A

Media:

WQ

**Small Business:** 

No

Location(s) Where Violation(s) Occurred:

Town of Shady Shores MS4, located within the town limits in the Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington urbanized area, Denton County

Type of Operation:

Municipal separate storm sewer system

**Other Significant Matters:** 

Additional Pending Enforcement Actions: No

Past-Due Penalties: No

Other: N/A

Interested Third-Parties: None

Texas Register Publication Date: September 4, 2015

Comments Received: No

## **Penalty Information**

Total Penalty Assessed: \$10,000

Amount Deferred for Expedited Settlement: \$2,000 Amount Deferred for Financial Inability to Pay: \$0

**Total Paid to General Revenue:** \$0 **Total Due to General Revenue:** \$0

Payment Plan: N/A

Supplemental Environmental Project ("SEP") Conditional Offset: \$5,000

Name of SEP: Texas Association of Resource Conservation and Development

Areas, Inc. (Third-Party Pre-Approved)

SEP Conditional Offset: \$3,000

Name of SEP: Texas Association of Resource Conservation and Development

Areas, Inc. (Third-Party Pre-Approved)

**Compliance History Classifications:** 

Person/CN - High Site/RN - High

Major Source: No

Statutory Limit Adjustment: N/A Applicable Penalty Policy: April 2014

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## **Investigation Information**

Complaint Date(s): N/A

**Complaint Information**: N/A

Date(s) of Investigation: February 20, 2015

Date(s) of NOE(s): March 9, 2015

## Violation Information

Failed to maintain authorization to discharge stormwater under a Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ("TPDES") Small MS4 General Permit. Specifically, TPDES Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System ("MS4") General Permit No. TXR040398 expired on August 13, 2012 and a Notice of Intent ("NOI") and Stormwater Management Program ("SWMP") were not submitted by the application deadline of June 11, 2014 [30 Tex. Admin. Code § 281.25(a)(4) and 40 Code of Federal Regulations § 122.26(a)(9)(i)(A)].

## Corrective Actions/Technical Requirements

## **Corrective Action(s) Completed:**

The Respondent has implemented the following corrective measures:

a. On December 8, 2014, submitted a NOI and SWMP to the TCEQ Water Quality Division.

b. On April 28, 2015, obtained authorization to discharge stormwater under TPDES Small MS4 General Permit No. TXR040581.

# **Technical Requirements:**

The Order will require the Respondent to implement and complete two SEPs (see SEP Attachments A and B).

# Litigation Information

Date Petition(s) Filed: N/A Date Answer(s) Filed: N/A SOAH Referral Date: N/A Hearing Date(s): N/A Settlement Date: N/A

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## **Contact Information**

TCEQ Attorney: N/A

TCEQ Enforcement Coordinator: Austin Henck, Enforcement Division,

Enforcement Team 3, MC 169, (512) 239-6155; Candy Garrett, Enforcement Division,

MC 219, (512) 239-1456

TCEQ SEP Coordinator: Stuart Beckley, SEP Coordinator, Enforcement Division,

MC 219, (512) 239-3565

**Respondent:** The Honorable Cindy Spencer, Mayor, Town of Shady Shores, P.O. Box

362, Lake Dallas, Texas 75065 **Respondent's Attorney:** N/A

#### Attachment A

# Docket Number: 2015-0450-WQ-E

#### SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT

Respondent:	Town of Shady Shores
Penalty Amount:	Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000)
SEP Offset Amount:	Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000)
Type of SEP:	Contribution to a Third-Party Pre-Approved SEP
Third-Party Administrator:	Texas Association of Resource Conservation and Development Areas, Inc.
<b>Project Name:</b>	Household Hazardous Waste Collection
Location of SEP:	Denton County: Trinity River Basin, Trinity Aquifer

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("TCEQ") agrees to offset a portion of the administrative penalty amount assessed in this Agreed Order for the Respondent to contribute to a Supplemental Environmental Project ("SEP"). The offset is equal to the SEP Offset Amount set forth above and is conditioned upon completion of the project in accordance with the terms of this Attachment A.

## 1. Project Description

## a. Project

The Respondent shall contribute the SEP Offset Amount to the Third-Party Administrator named above. The contribution will be to the **Texas Association of Resource Conservation and Development Areas, Inc. ("RC&D")** for the Household Hazardous Waste ("HHW") Collection project. The contribution will be used in accordance with the SEP Agreement between the Third-Party Administrator and the TCEQ (the "Project"). Specifically, the SEP Offset Amount will be used to coordinate with city and county government officials and private entities (collectively known as "Partner Entities") to conduct events for residents to bring in HHW such as paint, thinners, pesticides, oil and gas, corrosive cleaners, and fertilizers for proper disposal (the "Project"). Where possible, the Project may also offer electronics collection, disposal, and recycling. The Third-Party Administrator shall work with Partner Entities to determine exactly which materials will be accepted and how they will be disposed of or recycled.

The Third-Party Administrator shall ensure that individuals qualified to make determinations regarding receiving, handling, and temporarily storing HHW are present at each event. Third-Party Administrator shall use only licensed haulers and authorized disposal sites.

The Third-Party Administrator shall ensure that, at least 45 days before each Collection Event, Form TCEQ-20459 Notification for a Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event, as may be amended, is submitted to TCEQ in accordance with Chapter 335, Texas Administrative Code. The SEP will be performed in accordance with all federal, state, and local environmental laws and regulations.

All dollars contributed will be used for the direct cost of the Project, including but not limited to supplies, materials, and equipment. Any portion of this contribution that is not able to be spent on the specifically identified SEP may, at the discretion of the Executive Director ("ED"), be applied to another pre-approved SEP.

The Respondent's signature affixed to this Agreed Order certifies that it has no prior commitment to make this contribution and that it is being made solely in an effort to settle this enforcement action. The Respondent shall not profit in any manner from this SEP.

#### b. Environmental Benefit

This SEP will provide a means of properly disposing of HHW which might otherwise be disposed of in regular landfills, storm drains, sewer systems, or other means detrimental to the environment. This SEP will provide assistance to help rid communities of the dangers and health threats associated with HHW, and will provide for proper and protective disposal or recycling of collected materials.

#### c. Minimum Expenditure

The Respondent shall contribute at least the SEP Offset Amount to the Third-Party Administrator and comply with all other provisions of this SEP.

#### 2. Performance Schedule

Within 30 days after the effective date of this Agreed Order, the Respondent must contribute the SEP Offset Amount to the Third-Party Administrator. The Respondent shall make the check payable to **Texas Association of RC&D SEP** and shall mail the contribution with a copy of the Agreed Order to:

Texas Association of RC&D Areas, Inc. Attn.: Jerry Pearce, Executive Director P.O. Box 2533 Victoria, Texas 77902

## 3. Records and Reporting

Concurrent with the payment of the SEP Offset Amount, the Respondent shall provide the Enforcement SEP Coordinator with a copy of the check and transmittal letter indicating full payment of the SEP Offset Amount to the Third-Party Administrator. The Respondent shall mail a copy of the check and transmittal letter to:

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Enforcement Division Attention: SEP Coordinator, MC 219 P.O. Box 13087 Austin, Texas 78711-3087

## 4. Failure to Fully Perform

If the Respondent does not perform its obligations under this Attachment A, including full expenditure of the SEP Offset Amount, as described in Sections 2 and 3 above, the ED may require immediate payment of all or part of the SEP Offset Amount.

In the event the ED determines that the Respondent failed to fully implement and complete the Project, the Respondent shall remit payment for all or a portion of the SEP Offset Amount, as determined by the ED, and as set forth in the attached Agreed Order. After receiving notice of failure to complete the Project, the Respondent shall include the docket number of the attached Agreed Order and a note that the enclosed payment is for the reimbursement of a SEP; shall make the check payable to "Texas Commission on Environmental Quality"; and shall mail it to:

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Litigation Division Attention: SEP Coordinator, MC 175 P.O. Box 13087 Austin, Texas 78711-3087

# 5. Publicity

Any public statements concerning this SEP and/or project, made by or on behalf of the Respondent must include a clear statement that **the project was performed as part of the settlement of an enforcement action brought by the TCEQ**. Such statements include advertising, public relations, and press releases.

# 6. Recognition

The Respondent may not seek recognition for this contribution in any other state or federal regulatory program.

## 7. Other SEPs by TCEQ or Other Agencies

The SEP Offset Amount identified in this Attachment A and in the attached Agreed Order has not been, and shall not be, included as a SEP for the Respondent under any other Agreed Order negotiated with the TCEQ or any other agency of the state or federal government.

## **Attachment B**

# Docket Number: 2015-0450-WQ-E SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT

Respondent:	Town of Shady Shores
Penalty Amount:	Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000)
SEP Offset Amount:	Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000)
Type of SEP:	Contribution to a Third-Party Pre-Approved SEP
Third-Party Administrator:	Texas Association of Resource Conservation and Development Areas, Inc.
Project Name:	Tire Collection Events and Cleanup of Abandoned Tire Sites
Location of SEP:	Denton County: Trinity River Basin, Trinity Aquifer

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("TCEQ") agrees to offset a portion of the administrative penalty amount assessed in this Agreed Order for the Respondent to contribute to a Supplemental Environmental Project ("SEP"). The offset is equal to the SEP Offset Amount set forth above and is conditioned upon completion of the project in accordance with the terms of this Attachment B.

# 1. Project Description

#### a. Project

The Respondent shall contribute the SEP Offset Amount to the Third-Party Administrator named above. The contribution will be to the **Texas Association of Resource Conservation and Development Areas, Inc. ("RC&D")** for the *Tire Collection Events and Cleanup of Abandoned Tire Sites* project. The contribution will be used in accordance with the SEP Agreement between the Third-Party Administrator and the TCEQ (the "Project"). Specifically, the SEP Offset Amount will be used to coordinate with local city and county government officials and private entities ("Partner Entities") to conduct tire collection events where residents will be able to drop off tires for proper disposal or recycling ("Collection Events"), or to clean sites where tires have been disposed of illegally ("Site Cleanups").

Texas RC&D shall ensure that collected tires, debris, and waste are properly transported to and disposed at an authorized disposal site, and if a licensed hauler is needed for tires or other regulated waste collected from sites, Texas RC&D shall ensure that only properly licensed haulers are used for transport and disposal of tires and regulated wastes. The SEP will be performed in accordance with all federal, state, and local environmental laws and regulations.

All dollars contributed will be used solely for the direct cost of the Project, including but not limited to supplies, materials, and equipment. Any portion of this contribution that is not able to be spent on the specifically identified SEP may, at the discretion of the Executive Director ("ED"), be applied to another pre-approved SEP.

The Respondent's signature affixed to this Agreed Order certifies that it has no prior commitment to make this contribution and that it is being contributed solely in an effort to settle this enforcement action. The Respondent shall not profit in any manner from this SEP.

#### b. Environmental Benefit

This SEP will provide an environmental benefit by providing communities with a free and convenient means for safe and proper disposal of tires and by reducing the dangers and health threats associated with illegally dumped tires.

The health risks associated with illegal dumping are significant. Areas used for illegal tire dumping may be easily accessible to people, especially children, who are vulnerable to the physical hazards posed by abandoned tires. Rodents, insects, and other vermin attracted to dump sites may also pose health risks. Tire dump sites which contain scrap tires pose an ideal breeding ground for mosquitoes, which can breed 100 times faster in the warm, stagnant water standing in scrap tire casings. Severe illnesses, including West Nile Virus, have been attributed to disease-carrying mosquitoes. The potential for tire fires is also reduced by removing illegally dumped tires. Tire fires can result in the contamination of air, surface water, ground water, and soil. In addition, neighborhoods have been evacuated and property damage has been significant due to tire dump sites that caught fire. Illegal tire dumping can also impact drainage of runoff, making areas more susceptible to flooding when wastes block waterways. Open burning at tire dump sites can cause forest fires and erosion as fires burn away trees and undergrowth. Tire dumping has a negative impact on trees and wildlife, and runoff from tire dumpsites may contain chemicals that can contaminate wells and surface water used for drinking.

## c. Minimum Expenditure

The Respondent shall contribute at least the SEP Offset Amount to the Third-Party Administrator and comply with all other provisions of this SEP.

#### 2. Performance Schedule

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## 3. Records and Reporting

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## 4. Failure to Fully Perform

If the Respondent does not perform its obligations under this Attachment B, including full expenditure of the SEP Offset Amount, as described in Sections 2 and 3 above, the ED may require immediate payment of all or part of the SEP Offset Amount.

In the event the ED determines that the Respondent failed to fully implement and complete the Project, the Respondent shall remit payment for all or a portion of the SEP Offset Amount, as determined by the ED, and as set forth in the attached Agreed Order. After receiving notice of failure to complete the SEP, the Respondent shall include the docket number of the attached Agreed Order and a note that the enclosed payment is for the reimbursement of a SEP. The Respondent shall make the check payable to "Texas Commission on Environmental Quality" and shall mail it to:

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## 6. Recognition

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## 7. Other SEPs by TCEQ or Other Agencies

The SEP Offset Amount identified in this Attachment B and in the attached Agreed Order has not been, and shall not be, included as a SEP for the Respondent under any other Agreed Order negotiated with the TCEQ or any other agency of the state or federal government.

Policy Revision 4 (A)	Penalty Calculatio	n Worksheet (P	•	n March 26, 2014
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\$8,000

**PAYABLE PENALTY** 

**Docket No.** 2015-0450-WQ-E

Respondent Town of Shady Shores

**Case ID No.** 50287

Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN105881262
Media [Statute] Water Quality
Enf. Coordinator Austin Henck

Policy Revision 4 (April 2014)

PCW Revision March 26, 2014

**Compliance History Worksheet** 

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	Judgments	Any non-adjudicated final court judgments or consent decrees containing a denial of liability of this state or the federal government (number of judgments or consent decrees meeting criteria)	0	0%	
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	Convictions	Any criminal convictions of this state or the federal government (number of counts)	0	0%	
	Emissions	Chronic excessive emissions events (number of events)	0	0%	
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## **Economic Benefit Worksheet**

Respondent Town of Shady Shores Case ID No. 50287 Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN105881262 Media Water Quality Years of **Percent Interest** Depreciation Violation No. 1 5.0 15 Item Cost Date Required Final Date Yrs Interest Saved Onetime Costs **EB Amount** Item Description No commas or \$ **Delayed Costs** Equipment 0.00 \$0 \$0 \$0 Buildings 0.00 \$0 \$0 \$0 Other (as needed) \$0 0.00 \$0 \$0 Engineering/Construction 0.00 \$0 \$0 \$0 Land 0.00 \$0 n/a \$0 **Record Keeping System** 0.00 \$0 n/a \$0 Training/Sampling 0.00 \$0 \$0 n/a Remediation/Disposal 0.00 \$0 \$0 n/a **Permit Costs** \$2,000 11-Jun-2014 28-Apr-2015 0.88 \$88 \$88 n/a Other (as needed) 0.00 \$0 n/a \$0 Estimated cost to submit a SWMP and a NOI to obtain authorization to discharge stormwater. Date Notes for DELAYED costs required is the application deadline and final date is the date of compliance. **Avoided Costs** ANNUALIZE [1] avoided costs before entering item (except for one-time avoided costs) Disposal 0.00 \$0 Personnel 0.00 \$0 \$0 Inspection/Reporting/Sampling 0.00 \$0 \$0 \$0 Supplies/Equipment 0.00 \$0 \$0 \$0 Financial Assurance [2] 0.00 \$0 \$0 \$0 ONE-TIME avoided costs [3] 0.00 Other (as needed) 0.00 \$0 \$0 Notes for AVOIDED costs Approx. Cost of Compliance \$2,000 TOTAL \$88

To request a more accessible version of this report, please contact the TCEQ Help Desk at (512) 239-4357.



# **ICEQ** Compliance History Report

PUBLISHED Compliance History Report for CN601540727, RN105881262, Rating Year 2014 which includes Compliance History (CH) components from September 1, 2009, through August 31, 2014.

Customer, Respondent, CN601540727, Town of Shady Shores

Classification: HIGH

Rating: 0.00

or Owner/Operator: Regulated Entity:

RN105881262, Town of Shady

Classification: HIGH

Rating: 0.00

**Complexity Points:** 

Repeat Violator: NO

CH Group:

14 - Other

Shores MS4

Location:

WITHIN THE TOWN OF SHADY SHORES LIMITS IN THE DALLAS-FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON URBANIZED AREA

IN DENTON COUNTY, TEXAS.

TCEQ Region:

REGION 04 - DFW METROPLEX

ID Number(s):

**STORMWATER PERMIT TXR040581** 

**Compliance History Period:** September 01, 2009 to August 31, 2014 Rating Year: 2014

Rating Date: 09/01/2014

Date Compliance History Report Prepared: March 18, 2015

Agency Decision Requiring Compliance History: Enforcement

**Component Period Selected:** June 5, 2010 to June 5, 2015

TCEQ Staff Member to Contact for Additional Information Regarding This Compliance History.

Name: Austin Henck

Phone: (512) 239-6155

#### Site and Owner/Operator History:

1) Has the site been in existence and/or operation for the full five year compliance period?	YES
2) Has there been a (known) change in ownership/operator of the site during the compliance period?	NO
3) If <b>YES</b> for #2, who is the current owner/operator?	N/A
4) If <b>YES</b> for #2, who was/were the prior owner(s)/operator(s)?	N/A
5) If <b>YES</b> , when did the change(s) in owner or operator occur?	N/A

#### Components (Multimedia) for the Site Are Listed in Sections A - J

A. Final Orders, court judgments, and consent decrees:

**B.** Criminal convictions:

N/A

C. Chronic excessive emissions events:

D. The approval dates of investigations (CCEDS Inv. Track. No.):

E. Written notices of violations (NOV) (CCEDS Inv. Track. No.):

A notice of violation represents a written allegation of a violation of a specific regulatory requirement from the commission to a regulated entity. A notice of violation is not a final enforcement action, nor proof that a violation has actually occurred.

N/A

# $\mbox{N/A}$ G. Type of environmental management systems (EMSs): $\mbox{N/A}$

H. Voluntary on-site compliance assessment dates:

N/A

I. Participation in a voluntary pollution reduction program:

N/A

J. Early compliance:

F. Environmental audits:

N/A

**Sites Outside of Texas:** 

N/A

# TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



IN THE MATTER OF AN	§	BEFORE THE
ENFORCEMENT ACTION	§	
CONCERNING	§	TEXAS COMMISSION ON
TOWN OF SHADY SHORES	§	
RN105881262	§	ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

## AGREED ORDER DOCKET NO. 2015-0450-WQ-E

#### I. JURISDICTION AND STIPULATIONS

On \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("the Commission" or "TCEQ") considered this agreement of the parties, resolving an enforcement action regarding the Town of Shady Shores ("Respondent") under the authority of Tex. Water Code Chs. 7 and 26. The Executive Director of the TCEQ, through the Enforcement Division, and the Respondent together stipulate that:

- 1. The Respondent owns and operates a municipal separate storm sewer system located within the Town of Shady Shores limits in the Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington urbanized area in Denton County, Texas (the "Facility").
- 2. The Executive Director and the Respondent agree that the Commission has jurisdiction to enter this Agreed Order, and that the Respondent is subject to the Commission's jurisdiction.
- 3. The Respondent has caused, suffered, allowed or permitted the discharge of any waste or the performance of any activity in violation of Tex. WATER CODE CH. 26 or any rule, permit, or order of the Commission.
- 4. The Respondent received notice of the violations alleged in Section II ("Allegations") on or about March 14, 2015.
- 5. The occurrence of any violation is in dispute and the entry of this Agreed Order shall not constitute an admission by the Respondent of any violation alleged in Section II ("Allegations"), nor of any statute or rule.
- 6. An administrative penalty in the amount of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) is assessed by the Commission in settlement of the violations alleged in Section II ("Allegations").

Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000) is deferred contingent upon the Respondent's timely and satisfactory compliance with all the terms of this Agreed Order. The deferred amount will be waived upon full compliance with the terms of this Agreed Order. If the Respondent fails to timely and satisfactorily comply with all requirements of this Agreed Order, the Executive Director may require the Respondent to pay all or part of the deferred penalty. Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000) shall be conditionally offset by the Respondent's completion of two Supplemental Environmental Projects ("SEPs").

- 7. Any notice and procedures, which might otherwise be authorized or required in this action, are waived in the interest of a more timely resolution of the matter.
- 8. The Executive Director and the Respondent agree on a settlement of the matters alleged in this enforcement action, subject to final approval in accordance with 30 Tex. ADMIN. CODE § 70.10(a).
- 9. The Executive Director recognizes that the Respondent has implemented the following corrective measures:
  - a. On December 8, 2014, submitted a Notice of Intent ("NOI") and Stormwater Management Program ("SWMP") to the TCEQ Water Quality Division.
  - b. On April 28, 2015, obtained authorization to discharge stormwater under Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ("TPDES") Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System ("MS4") General Permit No. TXR040581.
- 10. The Executive Director may, without further notice or hearing, refer this matter to the Office of the Attorney General of the State of Texas ("OAG") for further enforcement proceedings if the Executive Director determines that the Respondent has not complied with one or more of the terms or conditions in this Agreed Order.
- 11. This Agreed Order shall terminate five years from its effective date or upon compliance with all the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreed Order, whichever is later.
- 12. The provisions of this Agreed Order are deemed severable and, if a court of competent jurisdiction or other appropriate authority deems any provision of this Agreed Order unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall be valid and enforceable.

#### II. ALLEGATIONS

As owner and operator of the Facility, the Respondent is alleged to have failed to maintain authorization to discharge stormwater under TPDES Small MS4 General Permit, in violation of 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 281.25(a)(4) and 40 Code of Federal Regulations § 122.26(a)(9)(i)(A), as documented during an investigation conducted on February 20, 2015. Specifically, TPDES Small MS4 General Permit No. TXR040398 expired on August 13, 2012 and a NOI and SWMP were not submitted by the application deadline of June 11, 2014.

#### III. DENIALS

The Respondent generally denies each allegation in Section II ("Allegations").

#### IV. ORDERING PROVISIONS

1. It is, therefore, ordered by the TCEQ that the Respondent pay an administrative penalty as set forth in Section I, Paragraph 6 above. The payment of this administrative penalty and the Respondent's compliance with all the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreed Order resolve only the allegations in Section II. The Commission shall not be constrained in any manner from requiring corrective action or penalties for violations which are not raised here. Administrative penalty payments shall be made payable to "TCEQ" and shall be sent with the notation "Re: Town of Shady Shores, Docket No. 2015-0450-WQ-E" to:

Financial Administration Division, Revenue Operations Section Attention: Cashier's Office, MC 214 Texas Commission on Environmental Quality P.O. Box 13088 Austin, Texas 78711-3088

- 2. It is further ordered that the Respondent shall implement and complete two SEPs in accordance with Tex. Water Code § 7.067. As set forth in Section I, Paragraph 6 above, Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000) of the assessed administrative penalty shall be offset with the condition that the SEPs defined in Attachments A and B, incorporated herein by reference, are implemented by the Respondent. The Respondent's obligation to pay the conditionally offset portion of the assessed administrative penalty shall be discharged upon final completion of all provisions of the SEP agreements.
- 3. The provisions of this Agreed Order shall apply to and be binding upon the Respondent. The Respondent is ordered to give notice of the Agreed Order to personnel who maintain day-to-day control over the Facility operations referenced in this Agreed Order.
- 4. If the Respondent fails to comply with any of the Ordering Provisions in this Agreed Order within the prescribed schedules, and that failure is caused solely by an act of God, war, strike, riot, or other catastrophe, the Respondent's failure to comply is not a violation of this Agreed Order. The Respondent shall have the burden of establishing to the Executive Director's satisfaction that such an event has occurred. The Respondent shall notify the Executive Director within seven days after the Respondent becomes aware of a delaying event and shall take all reasonable measures to mitigate and minimize any delay.
- 5. The Executive Director may grant an extension of any deadline in this Agreed Order or in any plan, report, or other document submitted pursuant to this Agreed Order, upon a written and substantiated showing of good cause. All requests for extensions by the Respondent shall be made in writing to the Executive Director. Extensions are not effective until the Respondent receives written approval from the Executive Director.

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The determination of what constitutes good cause rests solely with the Executive Director.

- 6. This Agreed Order, issued by the Commission, shall not be admissible against the Respondent in a civil proceeding, unless the proceeding is brought by the OAG to: (1) enforce the terms of this Agreed Order; or (2) pursue violations of a statute within the Commission's jurisdiction, or of a rule adopted or an order or permit issued by the Commission under such a statute.
- This Agreed Order may be executed in separate and multiple counterparts, which 7. together shall constitute a single instrument. Any page of this Agreed Order may be copied, scanned, digitized, converted to electronic portable document format ("pdf"), or otherwise reproduced and may be transmitted by digital or electronic transmission, including but not limited to facsimile transmission and electronic mail. Any signature affixed to this Agreed Order shall constitute an original signature for all purposes and may be used, filed, substituted, or issued for any purpose for which an original signature could be used. The term "signature" shall include manual signatures and true and accurate reproductions of manual signatures created, executed, endorsed, adopted, or authorized by the person or persons to whom the signatures are attributable. Signatures may be copied or reproduced digitally, electronically, by photocopying, engraving, imprinting, lithographing, electronic mail, facsimile transmission, stamping, or any other means or process which the Executive Director deems acceptable. In this paragraph exclusively, the terms "electronic transmission", "owner", "person", "writing", and "written" shall have the meanings assigned to them under TEX. BUS, ORG, CODE § 1.002.
- 8. Pursuant to 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 70.10(b) and Tex. Gov't Code § 2001.142, the effective date of this Order is the date it is signed by the Commission or the Executive Director. A copy of this fully executed Order shall be provided to each of the parties.

# SIGNATURE PAGE

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

For the Commission	
For the Executive Director	10 11 9 115 Date
For the Executive Director ()	Date
I, the undersigned, have read and understand the a agree to the attached Agreed Order on behalf of the do agree to the terms and conditions specified ther accepting payment for the penalty amount, is mate	e entity indicated below my signature, and I rein. I further acknowledge that the TCEO, in
<ul> <li>I also understand that failure to comply with the O and/or failure to timely pay the penalty amount, m</li> <li>A negative impact on compliance history;</li> <li>Greater scrutiny of any permit applications</li> <li>Referral of this case to the Attorney General additional penalties, and/or attorney fees, of Increased penalties in any future enforcement</li> <li>Automatic referral to the Attorney General's and</li> <li>TCEQ seeking other relief as authorized by In addition, any falsification of any compliance document</li> </ul>	submitted; submitted; l's Office for contempt, injunctive relief, or to a collection agency; ent actions; s Office of any future enforcement actions;
Cinely Ayy Signature	8-6-15 Date
Name (Printed or typed) Authorized Representative of	Mayor Lio-Tem

**Instructions**: Send the original, signed Agreed Order with penalty payment to the Financial Administration Division, Revenue Operations Section at the address in Section IV, Paragraph 1 of this Agreed Order.

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## Attachment A

# Docket Number: 2015-0450-WQ-E SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT

Respondent:	Town of Shady Shores
Penalty Amount:	Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000)
SEP Offset Amount:	Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000)
Type of SEP:	Contribution to a Third-Party Pre-Approved SEP
Third-Party Administrator:	Texas Association of Resource Conservation and Development Areas, Inc.
<b>Project Name:</b>	Household Hazardous Waste Collection
Location of SEP:	Denton County: Trinity River Basin, Trinity Aquifer

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("TCEQ") agrees to offset a portion of the administrative penalty amount assessed in this Agreed Order for the Respondent to contribute to a Supplemental Environmental Project ("SEP"). The offset is equal to the SEP Offset Amount set forth above and is conditioned upon completion of the project in accordance with the terms of this Attachment A.

## 1. Project Description

## a. Project

The Respondent shall contribute the SEP Offset Amount to the Third-Party Administrator named above. The contribution will be to the **Texas Association of Resource Conservation and Development Areas, Inc.** ("RC&D") for the Household Hazardous Waste ("HHW") Collection project. The contribution will be used in accordance with the SEP Agreement between the Third-Party Administrator and the TCEQ (the "Project"). Specifically, the SEP Offset Amount will be used to coordinate with city and county government officials and private entities (collectively known as "Partner Entities") to conduct events for residents to bring in HHW such as paint, thinners, pesticides, oil and gas, corrosive cleaners, and fertilizers for proper disposal (the "Project"). Where possible, the Project may also offer electronics collection, disposal, and recycling. The Third-Party Administrator shall work with Partner Entities to determine exactly which materials will be accepted and how they will be disposed of or recycled.

The Third-Party Administrator shall ensure that individuals qualified to make determinations regarding receiving, handling, and temporarily storing HHW are present at each event. Third-Party Administrator shall use only licensed haulers and authorized disposal sites.

The Third-Party Administrator shall ensure that, at least 45 days before each Collection Event, Form TCEQ-20459 Notification for a Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event, as may be amended, is submitted to TCEQ in accordance with Chapter 335, Texas Administrative Code. The SEP will be performed in accordance with all federal, state, and local environmental laws and regulations.

All dollars contributed will be used for the direct cost of the Project, including but not limited to supplies, materials, and equipment. Any portion of this contribution that is not able to be spent on the specifically identified SEP may, at the discretion of the Executive Director ("ED"), be applied to another pre-approved SEP.

The Respondent's signature affixed to this Agreed Order certifies that it has no prior commitment to make this contribution and that it is being made solely in an effort to settle this enforcement action. The Respondent shall not profit in any manner from this SEP.

#### b. Environmental Benefit

This SEP will provide a means of properly disposing of HHW which might otherwise be disposed of in regular landfills, storm drains, sewer systems, or other means detrimental to the environment. This SEP will provide assistance to help rid communities of the dangers and health threats associated with HHW, and will provide for proper and protective disposal or recycling of collected materials.

#### c. Minimum Expenditure

The Respondent shall contribute at least the SEP Offset Amount to the Third-Party Administrator and comply with all other provisions of this SEP.

#### 2. Performance Schedule

Within 30 days after the effective date of this Agreed Order, the Respondent must contribute the SEP Offset Amount to the Third-Party Administrator. The Respondent shall make the check payable to **Texas Association of RC&D SEP** and shall mail the contribution with a copy of the Agreed Order to:

Texas Association of RC&D Areas, Inc. Attn.: Jerry Pearce, Executive Director P.O. Box 2533 Victoria, Texas 77902

## 3. Records and Reporting

Concurrent with the payment of the SEP Offset Amount, the Respondent shall provide the Enforcement SEP Coordinator with a copy of the check and transmittal letter indicating full payment of the SEP Offset Amount to the Third-Party Administrator. The Respondent shall mail a copy of the check and transmittal letter to:

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Enforcement Division Attention: SEP Coordinator, MC 219 P.O. Box 13087 Austin, Texas 78711-3087

## 4. Failure to Fully Perform

If the Respondent does not perform its obligations under this Attachment A, including full expenditure of the SEP Offset Amount, as described in Sections 2 and 3 above, the ED may require immediate payment of all or part of the SEP Offset Amount.

In the event the ED determines that the Respondent failed to fully implement and complete the Project, the Respondent shall remit payment for all or a portion of the SEP Offset Amount, as determined by the ED, and as set forth in the attached Agreed Order. After receiving notice of failure to complete the Project, the Respondent shall include the docket number of the attached Agreed Order and a note that the enclosed payment is for the reimbursement of a SEP; shall make the check payable to "Texas Commission on Environmental Quality"; and shall mail it to:

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Litigation Division Attention: SEP Coordinator, MC 175 P.O. Box 13087 Austin, Texas 78711-3087

# 5. Publicity

Any public statements concerning this SEP and/or project, made by or on behalf of the Respondent must include a clear statement that **the project was performed as part of the settlement of an enforcement action brought by the TCEQ**. Such statements include advertising, public relations, and press releases.

## 6. Recognition

The Respondent may not seek recognition for this contribution in any other state or federal regulatory program.

## 7. Other SEPs by TCEQ or Other Agencies

The SEP Offset Amount identified in this Attachment A and in the attached Agreed Order has not been, and shall not be, included as a SEP for the Respondent under any other Agreed Order negotiated with the TCEQ or any other agency of the state or federal government.

#### Attachment B

# Docket Number: 2015-0450-WQ-E SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT

Respondent:	Town of Shady Shores
Penalty Amount:	Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000)
SEP Offset Amount:	Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000)
Type of SEP:	Contribution to a Third-Party Pre-Approved SEP
Third-Party Administrator:	Texas Association of Resource Conservation and Development Areas, Inc.
Project Name:	Tire Collection Events and Cleanup of Abandoned Tire Sites
Location of SEP:	Denton County: Trinity River Basin, Trinity Aquifer

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("TCEQ") agrees to offset a portion of the administrative penalty amount assessed in this Agreed Order for the Respondent to contribute to a Supplemental Environmental Project ("SEP"). The offset is equal to the SEP Offset Amount set forth above and is conditioned upon completion of the project in accordance with the terms of this Attachment B.

## 1. Project Description

## a. Project

The Respondent shall contribute the SEP Offset Amount to the Third-Party Administrator named above. The contribution will be to the **Texas Association of Resource Conservation and Development Areas, Inc. ("RC&D")** for the *Tire Collection Events and Cleanup of Abandoned Tire Sites* project. The contribution will be used in accordance with the SEP Agreement between the Third-Party Administrator and the TCEQ (the "Project"). Specifically, the SEP Offset Amount will be used to coordinate with local city and county government officials and private entities ("Partner Entities") to conduct tire collection events where residents will be able to drop off tires for proper disposal or recycling ("Collection Events"), or to clean sites where tires have been disposed of illegally ("Site Cleanups").

Texas RC&D shall ensure that collected tires, debris, and waste are properly transported to and disposed at an authorized disposal site, and if a licensed hauler is needed for tires or other regulated waste collected from sites, Texas RC&D shall ensure that only properly licensed haulers are used for transport and disposal of tires and regulated wastes. The SEP will be performed in accordance with all federal, state, and local environmental laws and regulations.

All dollars contributed will be used solely for the direct cost of the Project, including but not limited to supplies, materials, and equipment. Any portion of this contribution that is not able to be spent on the specifically identified SEP may, at the discretion of the Executive Director ("ED"), be applied to another pre-approved SEP.

The Respondent's signature affixed to this Agreed Order certifies that it has no prior commitment to make this contribution and that it is being contributed solely in an effort to settle this enforcement action. The Respondent shall not profit in any manner from this SEP.

#### b. Environmental Benefit

This SEP will provide an environmental benefit by providing communities with a free and convenient means for safe and proper disposal of tires and by reducing the dangers and health threats associated with illegally dumped tires.

The health risks associated with illegal dumping are significant. Areas used for illegal tire dumping may be easily accessible to people, especially children, who are vulnerable to the physical hazards posed by abandoned tires. Rodents, insects, and other vermin attracted to dump sites may also pose health risks. Tire dump sites which contain scrap tires pose an ideal breeding ground for mosquitoes, which can breed 100 times faster in the warm, stagnant water standing in scrap tire casings. Severe illnesses, including West Nile Virus, have been attributed to disease-carrying mosquitoes. The potential for tire fires is also reduced by removing illegally dumped tires. Tire fires can result in the contamination of air, surface water, ground water, and soil. In addition, neighborhoods have been evacuated and property damage has been significant due to tire dump sites that caught fire. Illegal tire dumping can also impact drainage of runoff, making areas more susceptible to flooding when wastes block waterways. Open burning at tire dump sites can cause forest fires and erosion as fires burn away trees and undergrowth. Tire dumping has a negative impact on trees and wildlife, and runoff from tire dumpsites may contain chemicals that can contaminate wells and surface water used for drinking.

## c. Minimum Expenditure

The Respondent shall contribute at least the SEP Offset Amount to the Third-Party Administrator and comply with all other provisions of this SEP.

#### 2. Performance Schedule

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## 6. Recognition

The Respondent may not seek recognition for this contribution in any other state or federal regulatory program.

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The SEP Offset Amount identified in this Attachment B and in the attached Agreed Order has not been, and shall not be, included as a SEP for the Respondent under any other Agreed Order negotiated with the TCEQ or any other agency of the state or federal government.